



Call to Programme Committee meeting in Master of Science in Economics (M-ECON)

Date: 11 Sep 2020, 13.00-14.00

Location: T433, Tower Bldg (Tårn)

Zoom <https://nmbu.zoom.us/j/65767031999?pwd=UXpNK04zelFNbGhCa3dSc0RWa2RvUT09>

Invited: Roberto J. Garcia, Mette Wik, Stein Holden, Ståle Navrud, Torun Fretheim, Nour Nabil Karim, Jenny Alice Krogstad, Sigurd Rysstad

Note taker: Kateryna Krutskykh

Agenda for the meeting:

3/20 Comment on content of the M-ECON annual report, 2020

4/20 Discussion items from findings in the report

- Informal social events among M-ECON students and with economics faculty
- Career day: how will this be handled in 2020-21
- Mentoring schemes
- External advisory board meeting

Items to be approved

Approval of [minutes of February 2020 meeting](#).

Action Items:

Item 3/20:	Comment on M-ECON annual report
Item information	1.1 Present report 1.2 Comment/discussion on structure or content of the report
Proposed resolution:	Comments, suggested changes or edits to the annual report are required prior to its being submitted to the SU.
Attachment:	Study program report 2020 (M-ECON)

Item 4/20:	Discussion items from the findings in the report
Item information	1.1 Informal social events 1.1.1 Social events for students 1.1.2 Social events for students and faculty 1.2 Career day 1.3 Mentoring schemes 1.4 External advisory board meeting

<i>Proposed resolution:</i>	<p>We need a plan to implement measures (e.g., social activities) for the first and second-year students can take part it to foster comradery and social cohesion. Funds for social events are available. We also need to have activities that include the faculty for the students to meet with us informally (e.g., BBQ outside Tower Building). We will need some social event to welcome the international students who will join us physically in January 2021.</p> <p>Career day is typically help in the autumn semester where alumni and representatives from work life speak to the current students. Given Covid-19-related restrictions, how will we do it in 2020-21? Will we meet in physical space (we are small enough to do it)? Will we have former students and invited speakers video tape their presentation or we have them live via Zoom?</p> <p>The university through the Ministry of Education is keen on the creation of mentoring schemes. What sort of schemes would be useful? Should we arrange regular meetings or have a drop-in type service where students can meet other students either one-on-one or as groups? What type of mentoring programs might be needed?</p> <p>External advisory board: should we revive the idea to have to board visit NMBU to meet with faculty and students (separately)?</p>
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Other information:

Item 5/20:	
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